

# COM-L Workgroup Status Report

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## Workgroup Members

Name	Organization
Jesse Cooper	Phoenix Police Department
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Lisa Meyerson	PSIC Office
Michael Todd	PSIC Office
Dan Wills	Sedona Fire District
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## Workgroup Scope

The COM-L Workgroup is a workgroup to address all issues related to Communications Unit Leader Training, including designations, certifications and logistics.



## Proposed Certification Process 1 of 2

COM-L Candidates submit required documents:

- a. Completed COM-L Taskbook signed by a Final Evaluator
- b. Evidence of completion of ICS prerequisites
- c. Certificate from COM-L Training Class

The COM-L Workgroup reviews the submitted materials and drafts a response back to the agency either:

- a. Recommending that the agency consider further training and/or experience for the candidate, or
- b. Recommending that the evidence indicates the candidate is worthy of consideration for certification without the need for additional training/experience.



## Proposed Certification Process 2 of 2

The COM-L Workgroup returns submitted materials and associated recommendations to the local jurisdiction

The local jurisdiction considers the Workgroup recommendation, and determines whether to approve or deny the candidate's certification

If the candidate is to be certified, the Agency completes and signs the Agency Certification in the candidate's Taskbook and returns a copy of the Taskbook to the PSIC Office.

The PSIC Office will track certified Arizona COM-Ls.



## Materials to be created by Workgroup

A document outlining the Certification Process

Recommended credentials for persons to perform

- Individual task sign off
- Final Taskbook sign off
- Agency Certification signoff

Sample content illustrating what kind of information is expected in a Taskbook, including:

- Number of signers needed
- Depth of task reporting required
- Examples of both urban and rural tasks



## Training Considerations

COM-L Class can cost \$20K-\$30K (with the ICS 300 prerequisite included).

- A Train the Trainer Program is being developed nationally.
- We should realize savings by developing local trainers.

Resources to be deployed by COM-Ls are region-specific so we need to work toward being self-sufficient with respect to instructors.

Trainers such as Office of Domestic Preparedness (ODP) instructors may not be appropriate without additional COM-L experience and training.

We would likely need about eight trainers for Arizona.





## Next Steps

Incorporate feedback received from the SIEC into development of an Arizona COM-L credentialing process

Gather raw materials for the COM-L Taskbook templates and recommended credentials

Perform further research on training options



## Questions? Discussion...

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